In Re Application of: Gary MISHKIN et al.

Appln. No. 09/918,541

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For SINGLE CHANNEL RETRACTABLE NEEDLE TRAC

Art Unit: 1746

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Honorable Commissioner for Patents U.S. Patent and Trademark Office 2011 South Clark Place Crystal Plaza Two, Lobby, Room 1B03

Arlington, Virginia 22202

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a [X] AMENDMENT the above-identified application.

[xx] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. §1.27.

No fee is required.

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Conditional Petition for Extension of Time

If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor.

It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below:

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Action dated July 11, 2003, kindly amend the above-identified Application as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.